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# Exiles in N.Y. Hear News Of Cuba on Secret Radio



ENRIQUE ABASCAL AND FELLOW PATRIOTS MONITOR BROADCASTS  
In N. Y. Apartment Where They Learn of Real Conditions in Cuba

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## Polio and Dysentery Outbreaks Alarming

By RICHARD BARR

In a small room in a Manhattan apartment whose location is known only to a very few, a powerful short-wave receiver picks up vital messages . . .

These are messages that tell in detail how things are going in Cuba right now.

From the standpoint of Premier Fidel Castro, they are not going well.

### MEDICAL PROBLEMS

Tobacco production this year will fall far short of hoped-for goals.

Recent outbreaks of polio and dysentery have become problems of grave national concern. Medicines and food staples, such as meat, eggs and butter, are scarce.

Both Czechoslovakia and Brazil have halted shipments of goods to Cuba because Castro has been unable to meet his debts to the two countries.

The current state of affairs in Cuba was revealed by the New York City chapter of the Movimiento Democrata Cristiano (Christian Democratic Movement), one of the exile organizations working for the overthrow of Castro and the liberation of the Communist-dominated island.

Leader of the local MDC movement is 35-year-old Enrique Abascal.

In his West Side apartment (address withheld) is the short-wave radio that gets him in direct contact with the underground in Cuba.

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